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DBP EXHIBITS 500,000 BOOKS AT "KAMPUNG BUKU"

LANGKAWI, Dec 2 (Bernama) -- Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka (DBP) will exhibit some 500,000 books at the Malaysian Book Village here which will be opened by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad tomorrow.

DBP deputy director-general Sha'ari Abdullah said there would be 2,000 titles in Malay on many subjects including culture, history and literature.

Visitors to the book village in Lubuk Semilang Ulu Melaka can buy the books, he told reporters here.

He said there would also be books on local literature and history which had been translated into English.

DBP is among eight local publishers chosen for the book exhibition held in conjunction with the Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace (Lima) exhibition here.

The idea to set up the book village was mooted by Kedah Menteri Besar Tan Sri Sanusi Junid. There are 11 other such villages in the world including two in Japan. -- BERNAMA

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